

FORM B – BUILDING

Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

27-45	Boston North	AG	BLM.93
-------	--------------	----	--------

Town/City: Belmont

Place: (*neighborhood or village*):
Waverley Square

Photograph



Address: 33-35 Hawthorne Street

Historic Name: Edward Rogers, Jr. House

Uses: Present: multi family dwelling (condos)

Original: single family dwelling

Date of Construction: ca. 1880

Source: maps

Style/Form: French Second Empire

Architect/Builder: unknown

Exterior Material:

Foundation: brick

Wall/Trim: wood clapboard

Roof: asphalt shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:

connected garages

Major Alterations (*with dates*):

date? – alt. to front porch and entry, addition of dormer
1962 – slate roof replaced with asphalt
2004-2011 – removal of rear porch and garage;
construction of two new garages and large rear addition all
connected to original building

Condition: good

Moved: no yes **Date:**

Acreage: less than 1/2 acre

Setting: Tree-lined older residential street in Waverley Square

Locus Map (north at top)



Recorded by: Lisa Mausolf

Organization: Belmont Historic District Commission

Date (*month / year*): November 2015

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

BELMONT

33 HAWTHORNE STREET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Area(s) Form No.

AG

BLM.93

Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

The two-story, hip-roofed house at 33 Hawthorne Street is a distinctive example of the French Second Empire which is notable for its mansard-roofed tower which retains original iron cresting. In this case the tower is centered on the three-bay façade set above the central entrance porch which retains a dentil and bracketed cornice. Alterations to the porch in recent years include a new flight of stairs and balustrade, the replacement of the original posts and the loss of the arched wooden members which originally spanned between the posts (see 30 Hawthorne Street). The house shares some similarities with the smaller, single-story mansard-roofed cottages with asymmetrical towers found nearby at 4 Cambridge Street (BLM.270); 22 Waverley Street (BLM.89) and 40 Waverley Street (BLM.90), suggesting the possibility of a single builder or the use of a pattern book.

The predominant window is a double-hung 2/2 sash. Those on the first floor are capped by entablature lintels and the sills rest on two small brackets. The second floor openings never had the ornate lintels but did have footed sills which have been removed. The arched windows above the entrance have also been replaced by rectangular windows.

Since 2000, an addition has been constructed at the rear of the original house as well as two new two-car garages. Other major alterations include the removal of the Queen Anne style carriage house which formerly occupied the southwest corner of the lot. A two-story hip-roofed structure with massing and tower echoing the original house has been constructed to the rear.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

This lot was part of a larger parcel of land sold by the Waverley Land Company to D. Gilbert Dexter in 1873. Gilbert lived in Cambridge, was active in real estate and was the founder/editor of the *Cambridge Tribune* newspaper. What is now 33 Hawthorne Street was lot 50 of Dexter's subdivision (Middlesex County Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 23, Plan 4). Hawthorne Street was petitioned for, laid out, and accepted in 1876. There is a house shown on this site at the time of the 1889 Walker map but the owner's name is not indicated.

In 1898 this was the home of Edward Rogers, Jr., an apothecary who worked in Boston. Rogers died in 1900 but his widow Mary continued to live here until at least 1912. In 1900 the residents of 33 Hawthorne included 36 year old Mary Rogers, her three daughters, her sister Nellie Naughton and brother James Naughton who was a druggist/real estate agent. By 1918 the house was occupied by Mrs. Isabell Marison, widow of Samuel Marison. Mrs. Marison continued to live here into the 1930s. By the late 1930s the house was owned and occupied by Iver Lawson, a housepainter, and his wife Gladys. Iver Lawson sold the house in 1947 to William and Laura Tilton (Book 7149, Page 95). It was sold by Mrs. Tilton's estate in 2004 and converted to a two-family condominium.

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

BELMONT

33 HAWTHORNE STREET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Area(s) Form No.

AG

BLM.93

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Beers, F.W. and Co. *County Atlas of Middlesex, Massachusetts*. New York: Beers, Ellis, and Soule, 1875.

Belmont Directories, various dates.

Belmont: The Architecture and Development of the Town of Homes. Prepared for the Belmont Historic District Commission, 1984.

Betts, Richard B. *The Streets of Belmont and How they Were Named (2nd edition)*. Belmont: Belmont Historical Society, 2012.

Massachusetts Historical Commission. MACRIS database.

Middlesex County Registry of Deeds, Cambridge, MA

Sanborn Insurance Maps, 1915, 1922, 1931, 1949.

Stadley, George W. *Atlas of the Towns of Watertown, Belmont, Arlington, and Lexington*. 1898.

Town of Belmont, Building Department files.

U.S. Census, various dates.

Walker, G.H. *Atlas of Middlesex County, Massachusetts*. Boston: G.H. Walker, 1889.

Williams, Judy. Area form for Waverley Square (BLM.AG), 1982.



INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

BELMONT

33 HAWTHORNE STREET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Area(s) Form No.

AG	BLM.93
----	--------



INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

BELMONT

33 HAWTHORNE STREET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Area(s) Form No.

AG	BLM.93
----	--------



Photo of 33 Hawthorne in 1982